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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph [0006] with the following:

[0006] A system for supporting the driver's vision at night is presented on the Internet page of the Toyota Motor Corporation (~~www.toyota.co.jp/Showroom/All_toyota_lineup/LandCruiser/Cygnus/safety/index.html~~). Here, the surroundings are sensed by means of a camera which is sensitive in the near-infrared range, and the surroundings are displayed to the driver on a head-up display. When the headlights are dipped the system shows the course of the road which lies in front of the light beam of the vehicle and is difficult to discern, as well as persons, vehicles and obstacles located in the surroundings. For this purpose, a region which can be perceived with the night vision system adjoins the light beam of the dipped headlights. The region which can be perceived is ideally at approximately 100m and extends at maximum to approximately 150m.

Please replace paragraph [00020] with the following:

[00020] The method according to the invention can be particularly advantageously used in conjunction with a safety system in a road vehicle for acting on other vehicle-internal systems. For example, control signals can be transmitted to the control unit of an ACC (adaptive cruise control) application in order to avoid collisions. Signals can also be transmitted to safety devices, for example in order to pre-activate the airbag.

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